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APPENDIX.

[Vide answer to question No. 1365 asked by Mr. A. D. M. Bavotti Sahib at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 14th March 1922, page 2809 supra.]

Statement showing the number of Matriculates and School Final men appointed as sub-registrars during 1910–21.

Year.	Hindus.	Muhammadans.	Christians.	Total.
1910	3	..	..	3
1911	2	..	..	2
1912	3 *	..	..	3
1913	7 †	4 †	1	12
1914	3	1	..	4
1915	6	1	..	7
1916	1	1	..	2
1917	2	..	..	2
1918	2 *	3	1 ‡	6
1919	4	1	..	5
1920	17	9	2	28
1921	13	6 *	3	22
Total ..	63	26	7	96

* Includes one unpassed exempted. † Includes three unpassed exempted.

‡ Unpassed exempted.

Of these, 32 are clerks promoted as sub-registrars.

2. No Kammala Matriculate or School Final man was appointed as sub-registrar or probationary sub-registrar during the period 1910–21.

II

A BILL TO AMEND THE COURT FEES ACT, 1870.

The Council then resumed consideration of the Bill to amend the Court Fees Act, 1870.

SCHEDULE I, ARTICLE 2.

Amendment 27.

Rao Bahadur C. V. S. NARASIMHA RAJU :—" Sir, I move—

'27. *In column* 1 *substitute the words* " *when the claim is of a small cause nature and does not exceed Rs.* 500 " *for the words* " *in the exercise of small cause jurisdiction* ".'

" The effect of this amendment will be to extend the scope of article 2 of schedule I. As it is, the present Bill proposes to give the benefit of the old rate of court fees regarding suits that are instituted in courts of small causes. The scope of my amendment is that suits of small cause nature, whether they be instituted in courts of original jurisdiction or of small cause jurisdiction, shall have the benefit of this lower scale of court fees. From the information given at page 13 of the statistics of civil courts for the year 1920, the number of suits of the value of Rs. 500 and below instituted in all the courts except the village courts is about 330,000. Out of these, the Bill as it stands proposes to exclude 233,669 cases, i.e., small cause suits instituted in munsifs' courts, courts of special small causes and sudordinate judges' courts. At page 4, paragraph 10, it is given that the number of small cause suits instituted in munsifs' courts is 195,415. At page 4 at the bottom